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HOUSE BILL 559

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION; AMENDING
SECTION 74-6-3 NMSA 1978 (BEING LAWS 1967, CHAPTER 190, SECTION
3, AS AMENDED).

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 74-6-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
Chapter 190, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"74-6-3. WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION CREATED. --

A. There is created the "water quality control
commission" consisting of:

(1) the secretary of environment or a member of
his staff designated by him;

(2) the director of the department of game and
fish or a member of his staff designated by him;

(3) the state engineer or a member of his staff

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1 designated by him;

2 (4) the chairman of the oil conservation
3 commission or a member of his staff designated by him;

4 (5) the director of the state park and
5 recreation division of the energy, minerals and natural
6 resources department or a member of his staff designated by him;

7 (6) the director of the New Mexico department
8 of agriculture or a member of his staff designated by him;

9 (7) the chairman of the soil and water
10 conservation commission or a ~~[member of his staff]~~ person
11 designated by him;

12 (8) the director of the bureau of mines and
13 mineral resources at the New Mexico institute of mining and
14 technology or a member of his staff designated by him; and

15 (9) three representatives of the public to be
16 appointed by the governor for ~~[a term]~~ terms of four years and
17 who shall be compensated from the budgeted funds of the
18 department of environment in accordance with the provisions of
19 the Per Diem and Mileage Act.

20 B. No member of the commission shall receive or
21 shall have received, during the previous two years, a
22 significant portion of his income directly or indirectly from
23 permit holders or applicants for a permit and shall, upon the
24 acceptance of his appointment and prior to the performance of
25 any of his duties, file a statement of disclosure with the

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1 secretary of state disclosing any amount of money or other
2 valuable consideration, and its source, the value of which is in
3 excess of ten percent of his gross personal income in each of
4 the preceding two years, that he received directly or indirectly
5 from permit holders or applicants for permits required under the
6 Water Quality Act.

7 C. The commission shall elect a chairman and other
8 necessary officers and shall keep a record of its proceedings.

9 D. A majority of the commission constitutes a quorum
10 for the transaction of business, but no action of the commission
11 is valid unless concurred in by six or more members present at a
12 meeting.

13 E. The commission is the state water pollution
14 control agency for this state for all purposes of the federal
15 act and the wellhead protection and sole source aquifer programs
16 of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act and may take all action
17 necessary and appropriate to secure to this state, its political
18 subdivisions or interstate agencies the benefits of that act and
19 those programs.

20 F. The commission is administratively attached, as
21 defined in the Executive Reorganization Act, to the department
22 of environment. "

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8 Mr. Speaker:

9 Your AGRICULTURE AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE,
10 to whom has been referred
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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with
15 recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

16 1. On page 2, line 10, strike "person" and insert "soil
17 and water conservation district supervisor".,

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19 and thence referred to the APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE
20 COMMITTEE.
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Respectfully submitted,

G. X. McSherry, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

Yes: 9

Excused: None

Absent: None

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10 Mr. President:

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Your CONSERVATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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HOUSE BILL 559, as amended

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has had it under consideration and reports same with

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recommendation that it DO PASS.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Michael S. Sanchez, Chairman

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Mr. Speaker:

**Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to
whom has been referred**

HOUSE BILL 559, as amended

**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.**

Respectfully submitted,

Max Coll, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 12 For 0 Against

Yes: 12

Excused: Bird, Coll, Knowles, Marquardt, Wallace

Absent: None

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